PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ): (a) As per the monitoring system of the Deptt. of Programme Implementation, the number of central projects, each costing over Rs. 20 crore, under implementation in various sectors, as on 1.1.92 were as follows:-

i) Atomic Energy	—	6
ii) Civil Aviation .	—	1
iii) Coal	—	65
iv) Fertilizer	—	2
v) Information & Broadcasting	—	7
vi) Mines	—	2
vii) Steel	—	7
viii) Petro-chemicals	—	3
ix) Petroleum & Natural Gas	—	20
x) Power	—	37
xi) Paper, Cement & Automobile	—	10
xii) Railways	—	96
xiii) Surface Transport	—	29
xiv) Tele-communi-cation	—	22
TOTAL :		307

(b) There are multiple causes for increase in the cost of completion of these projects. It is not possible to assess separately the percentage of rise in the costs on account of delay in their completion.

(c) The anticipated cost of completion of the above central projects, each costing over Rs. 20 crore, was Rs. 94,511.5 crores as against the original estimated cost of Rs. 53,437.5 crores, as on 1st Jan., 1992.

(d) The projects are regularly monitored at various levels to ensure their completion on schedule. The date of completion in respect of 34 central projects in various sectors, was, however, not firmed up mainly on account of funds contraint, as on 1st Jan., 1992.

Performance of core sector

2782. SHRI HARVENDRA SINGH HANSPAL:Will the Minister of PLANNING & PROGARMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are seriously worried over the poor performances of petroleum, power, steel, coal, cement, telecommunications and fertilizer sectors;

(b) whether these sectors' performances during the last one year has been below expectation;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) what steps Government propose to improve the performances of these sectors during the year 1992-93?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ): (a) and (b) The performance of petroleum, power, steel, coal, cement telecommunications and fertiliser sectors during April, '91—January '92 is given in Statement (*See* below). Except for the petroleum and telecom sectors, the performance of other sectors has been significantly higher over the comparable previous period, though the same has fallen short of targets in most cases.

(c) The petroleum production was adversely affected due to high Gas to Oil ratio in Bombay High wells, water cut in the Gujarat section, disturbed conditions in Assam and strike by the ONGC officers. The tele instruments production was affected due to low capacity utilisation in public sector units and paucity of orders from the Deptt. of Telecommunications.

(d) The performance of these sectors, *inter alia,* is periodically reviewed at the level of the Minister of State for Planning and Programme Implementation to sort out operational problems. The Administrative Ministries initiate action to tide over the bottlenecks.

The Cabinet Committee on infrastructure under the Chairmanship of the Finance Minister has been constituted to, *inter alia,* consider problems concerning performance of infrastructure sectors and to give appropriate directions

in regard thereto. One meeting of the Committee was held on 13.2.92 for this purpose. These mechanisms would be utilised during 1992-93 as well.

Statement

Infrastructure Performance
(April '91—January '92)

Sector	1991-92 Target	Apr.'91-Jan.'92 Target	Actual Apr.'91-Jan.'92	Actual April '90-Jan. '91	% variation of Apr. '91—Jan. '92 actual over Apr.'91-Jan.'92 Target	% variation of Apr. '91—Jan. '92 actual over Apr.'90-Jan.'91 Actual
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1. Power (BU) Total	283.450	234.909	236.846	218.042	0.8	8.6
2. Coal (MT) Total	228.463	180.350	177.920	160.750	− 1.3	10.7
3. Steel (MT)						
i) Not metal	12.990	10.688	10.769	9.981	0.8	7.9
ii) Ingot	12.310	10.186	9.946	9.023	− 2.4	10.2
iii) Saleable Steel	10.020	8.242	8.216	7.502	− 0.3	9.5
iv) Saleable pig iron	0.873	0.636	0.722	0.740	13.5	− 2.4
4. Rly. Revenue Traffic (MT)	335.000	273.00	275.760	257.020	1.0	7.3
5. Cement (MT)	55.000	46.265	43.814	39.810	− 5.3	10.1
6. Fertilizer (MT) (N + P) Total	10.000	8.351	8.200	7.512	− 1.8	9.2
7. Petroleum (MT)						
i) Crude oil	34.060	26.054	25.463	27.551	− 2.3	− 7.6
ii) Refinery Throughput	50.915	42.635	42.190	42.952	− 1.0	− 1.8
8. Cargo handled at major ports (MT)	155.000	127.016	128.553	125.363	1.2	2.5
9. Telecommunications ('000 Nos.)						
i) Telephone Switching equip.	—	644.100	636.300	542.700	− 1.2	17.2
ii) Tele. Instru. Prod.	1000.000	569.000	371.600	591.900	−34.7	−37.2
iii) New Tele. connections in monitored sector	251.560	177.293*	167.932	109.220	− 5.3	53.8

* = Pro-rata target
BU = Billion Units
MT = Million Tonnes

परियोजनाओं के निर्माण में विलम्ब की जांच करने के लिए समिति

2783. **श्री राम जेठमलानी:**
डा० जिनेन्द्र कुमार जैन:

क्या **योजना और कार्यक्रम कार्यान्वयन** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या यह सच है कि सरकार ने उन बड़ी और मझौली परियोजनाओं की जिनके निर्माण में विलम्ब हो जाने के फलस्वरूप लागत बढ़ गई है, समस्याओं का अध्ययन करने तथा उपचारी उपाय सुझाने के लिए कोई उच्च स्तरीय समिति गठित की है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो इस समिति के सदस्यों के नाम क्या-क्या है,

(ग) क्या इस समिति से निर्धारित समय के भीतर अपना प्रतिवेदन प्रस्तुत करने का अनुरोध किया गया है; और

(घ) यदि नहीं, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं?

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